

INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

DATE:

January 14, 2000

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SUBJECT:

S. M. Nesta, K-H/ESS, T130C, X6386

NEPA DETERM NEPA DETERMINATION DAM B-4 SPILLWAY REPAIR - SMN-003-00

I have reviewed the project to perform repairs to the Dam B-4 spillway. I understand erosion around the concrete culvert box and wingwalls may damage the dam, and therefore riprap or concrete rubble will be added to this area to prevent such erosion.

I understand that water booms will be placed at the gate valve inlets downstream of the work area to contain inadvertent spills of oil or fuel from the mechanical equipment. Rather than placing the booms at the inlets prior to a spill, it may be more reasonable to keep them on hand for immediate use should a spill occur. This recommendation is intended to prevent generation of unneeded waste. If the booms can be removed and dried out after the job is complete, and reused later, then this recommendation should be ignored.

No other environmental compliance issues associated with the project are noted.

With regard to NEPA documentation, I find that the Site Standing Categorical Exclusion (CX) RFFO/CX 13-96 (B1.3) for routine maintenance activities provides coverage for this project. No further NEPA review or documentation of the project is necessary and, from a NEPA perspective, the project may proceed.

If changes arise, altering the scope of the project, please contact me so that we can review the changes for NEPA compliance. Please do not hesitate to contact me at X6386 if you have any questions or need additional information.

cc.

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